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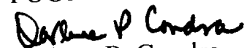
REMARKS

Entry of this Preliminary Amendment is respectfully requested prior to the first Office Action and prior to the calculation of the filing fee for the subject application. After entry of this Amendment, claims 1 – 19 and 22 - 39 are pending in the application. Claims 1, 3, 5, 6, 8, 10 – 15, 17, 19, 22, 23, 25 – 31, 33 – 36, 38 and 40 have been amended. Claims 20, 21, 39, 41 and 42 have been cancelled. The Amendment to the claims incorporates the Amendment pursuant to Article 34 PCT and to eliminate multiple dependencies. The Amendment to the specification also is to incorporate the Amendment pursuant to Article 34 PCT . No new matter has been added.

It is submitted that this Amendment has antecedent basis in the application as originally filed, including the specification, claims and drawings, and that this Amendment does not add any new subject matter to the application. Consideration of the application as amended is requested. It is submitted that this Amendment places the application in suitable condition for allowance; notice of which is requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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